

2004/10/12

Sunset Neighborhood Association Quarterly Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2004

Location: West Linn City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Patti McCoy, President of the Sunset Neighborhood Association (SNA), called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Doug Vokes, Treasurer, reported that of the \$1500/year (July 1 – June 30) from the city, we currently have a balance of \$1093.00. We spent 375.00 (estimated) for postcard notice on September clean-up and the October meeting, and \$32.00 on sign revisions. We now have a balance of \$1093.00. A separate fund containing monies raised by the SNA has a balance of \$262.71

GUEST SPEAKERS

* Gary Parkin, City of West Linn engineer, spoke briefly about the Sunset water line replacement/road-resurfacing project. This project, which began in May and was completed in July, took longer than anticipated due to outsourcing of various aspects, and also to budget constraints. The condition of a street is measured by what is known as the pave index. Some streets, such as Long St, were in such need of repair that the costs would have exhausted the entire budget, thus preventing other streets from being worked on. Therefore it was skipped at this time and will be considered at later date. The policy regarding sidewalks was also discussed. Dollars are allocated for sidewalks as followed: 25% repairs, 25% in-fill housing, 50% complaints. Basically, sidewalks are the responsibility of the property owner.

* Officer Rick Senger from the West Linn Police Dept reported that crime in our area is down. The West Linn City Code, on the city web page, will now be better enforced by Peggy Jones, a new fulltime city employee. She can be reached at (503) 655-6214. Her sole function is to ensure that the code is understood by the citizens and enforced when necessary. New officer Ed Friend was introduced. Mention was made of the new 20 MPH speed limit near schools. Mr. Senger handed out a list a police service calls since July 1st. Suspicious person/activity and animal complaints were the top incidents .

OLD BUSINESS

1. Patti reported on the proposed pocket park to be located in a vacant lot at the corner of Summit and Rosemont. The property, owned by the city, is the site of a former water tower. The park is to contain exercise equipment mainly for the benefits of adults. Parking spots may be available if room permits. If the park can be locked (similar to the skate park on Parker Rd) lights may not be necessary. The cost at this point is estimated to be approx \$15 K. The \$1,000 that the SNA had allocated during our May meeting to the pocket part could not be done because city policy requires a specific purchase order. Concern was expressed about the possibility of having a portable toilet near the park. Some felt that this would be a nuisance and attract vandalism. For more information, contact Ann Short: (503) 657-4974, or Patti McCoy: (503) 655-3445

2. Our neighborhood Clean-up Day September 25th was a success. Four dumpsters were quickly filled up by 2 PM. This is a free service to the residents of the SNA for the purpose of keeping trash/garbage free from view. We anticipate another event in the spring. We thank the volunteers for helping out, and for our citizens for their interest in keeping our city clean and livable. The postcards announcing this event did not reach the residents until the day before because they were mailed by the post office from Salt Lake City instead of Everett, WA. We have no control as to where the mailing come from, so next year we will send out the cards a week sooner to allow for this.

3. The Lock Fest Festival in May was a success, however, the locks are closed for the season and with no federal funding, it is unlikely at this time that they will re-open in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mention was made concerning the on-going ivy issue in Wilderness Park. Volunteer groups have assisted in this effort. Many trails need clearing - otherwise they will become overgrown and will disappear from sight. On a related note, Shauna Shroyer (sshroyer@ci.west-linn.or.us) has organized an ivy clean-up at Mary S Young Park the third Saturday of each month, 9 – 12 am

2. Interest was shown in developing a neighborhood plan for Sunset. If such a plan is approved by the city, it becomes city code. Bolton, Willamette, and Robinwood neighborhoods are all in the process of developing these plans. The city provides a consultant to work with the neighborhood, and the entire process takes approx 2 – 3 months. As a result of the discussion, we have asked Sunset to be put on the waiting list, with anticipation that we would be slated for sometime next year.

3. Please remember to VOTE!

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the SNA, Patti adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Vokes, Secretary/Treasurer of the SNA.

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